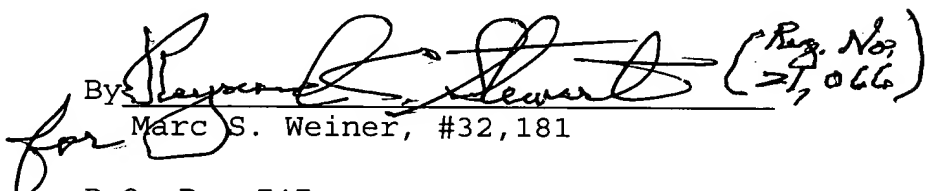


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- ☒ No fee is required.
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June 18, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 18, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) An ethylene (co) polymer (A1) being either an ethylene homopolymer or a copolymer of ethylene and an α -olefin of 4 to 20 carbon atoms, wherein

(i_{A1}) the ethylene (co)polymer contains methyl branches less than 0.1 in number per 1,000 carbon atoms measured by ¹³C-NMR, and